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Fair tonight and Saturday; frost.

ALABAMA BRIGADE IS COMING HOME SOON IS OPINION OF O. F. SPENCER

NEW YORK INFANTRYMAN, FORMERLY OF ALBANY, RETURNS HERE FOR SHORT VISIT EN ROUTE TO HIS HOME.

PERSHING IS RETURNING

EMPTY TRUCKS CONTINUE TO GO INTO MEXICO AND RETURN FULL OF ARMY SUPPLIES, HE SAYS.

The Alabama brigade and the remainder of the national guardsmen on the border will be returned home in less than six weeks, according to the opinion of O. F. Spencer, of the New York infantry, who is here for a short visit. Mr. Spencer formerly was employed at the Buttrey store and is well known here.

He enlisted when the guardsmen were called out, going to the border with Company E, 74th regiment, New York infantry.

"Border life either makes or breaks a man," Mr. Spencer said. "The work you are required to do, in the decided change of climate, builds you up or it breaks you down. Either you become fit physically, or you return home after two or three months of existence down there, broken.

"Our camp was very fortunate. For two months we worked almost unceasingly to make it as sanitary as possible, and we succeeded, for the percentage of illness at Brownsville, where we were stationed, was the smallest on the border.

"I do not know much about the Alabama camp. I never visited there. but from what I know of border conditions, reports regarding the extent of sickness among the troops, probably have not been exaggerated.

Pershing Coming Back.

"I believe beyond all doubt that General Pershing and his column will be back on United States soil within a few weeks. General Funston continues to deny that the column has been recalled, but on the border there is a general understanding that it has.

"Empty trucks continue to go down into the Mexican desert and return to the regular's concentration camp loaded with supplies. When the column first went after Villa, the process was turned the other way. It kept the army officials worrying to supply enough trucks to keep the line of communication with the Pershing column intact. Now when the trucks are coming back with supplies, instead of taking them to the flying squadron, it certainly is a good indication that the column soon will be withdrawn.

"With Pershing's men back there will be little need for keeping the guardsmen on the border and I think the entire mobilization camp will be abolished in six weeks.

"We understood on the border that an order, sending 60,000 men home already has been issued. The men will leave in 20,000 detachments. All, however, are expected to be started back as soon as railroad cars can be supplied.

"The New York troops already have been sent home. I have completed my enlistment term and am undecided whether to re-enlist or not. I would not say I am, however.

"Really many advantages have been gained by mobilizing the troops, for Uncle Sam now has thousands of well trained troops. They did not spare us and in an emergency the president would have all of the thousands of guardsmen as fit soldiers."

Tax Officials to be at Bank to Take Polls

Tax officials of Morgan county will be at the Central National Bank tonight to receive poll taxes, according to an announcement today by Tax Collector Robertson.

Poll taxes must be paid by February 1, or on that date, Mr. Robertson says. As all of the money derived from the tax is used for the schools, he urged all citizens to be prompt with their payments.

PRESIDENT'S PEACE LEAGUE PLANS ARE ENDORSED TODAY IN LABOR RESOLUTION

ENGLISH UNION ORGANIZATIONS WILL SUPPORT CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S SUGGESTION FOR WORLD WIDE LEAGUE.

WITHOUT DISSENTING VOTE

RESOLUTION URGES ENGLISH REPRESENTATIVES TO WORK FOR THE ADOPTION OF PLAN OUTLINED TO SENATE.

(International News Service.)

Manchester, Jan. 26.—British labor went on recorl today as unanimously supporting an international league to enforce peace, along the lines laid down in President Wilson's senate speech. A resolution urging all British representatives at the peace conference after the war to work for the formation of such a league as advocated by the president of the United States, and approved by the British foreign secretary, was adopted without a dissenting vote.

LEAK PROBE TO BE RESUMED MONDAY

(International News Service.)

HENRY SURE OF SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO KEEP UP THE INQUIRY.

New York, Jan. 26.—The inquiry into the alleged "leak" of advance information on President Wilson's peace note will be resumed here Monday morning, it was announced last night by Chairman Henry of the house rules committee. He said he had sent telegrams calling back to this city members of the committee who had returned to Washington. "We will have abundant data on hand," declared Mr. Henry, "to go ahead without a break in the inquiry."

Regarding information sought by the committee concerning transactions on the New York stock exchange within the period of the alleged "leak," Mr. Henry said.

"In my judgment we will have everything we want in less than five days."

He added that the committee had met with no "refusals" from brokers.

"We are encountering no hostility from them," said Mr. Henry. "A number of statements have been received from them, complying with the committee's request."

Bernard Baruch, and possibly J. P. Morgan, as well as others familiar with Wall street affairs, may be among the first witnesses called when the committee resumes its hearings, according to Mr. Henry.

The telegraph and telephone companies, the chairman asserted, had been asked to preserve all slips or records of telegraph messages or telephone conversations between New York and Washington during the period of the alleged "leak."

"Only those people mentioned in Mr. Lawson's testimony and Mr. Lawson himself will be called to the witness stand if it is shown they are links in the facts developed by the committee's inquiry," Mr. Henry con? cluded.

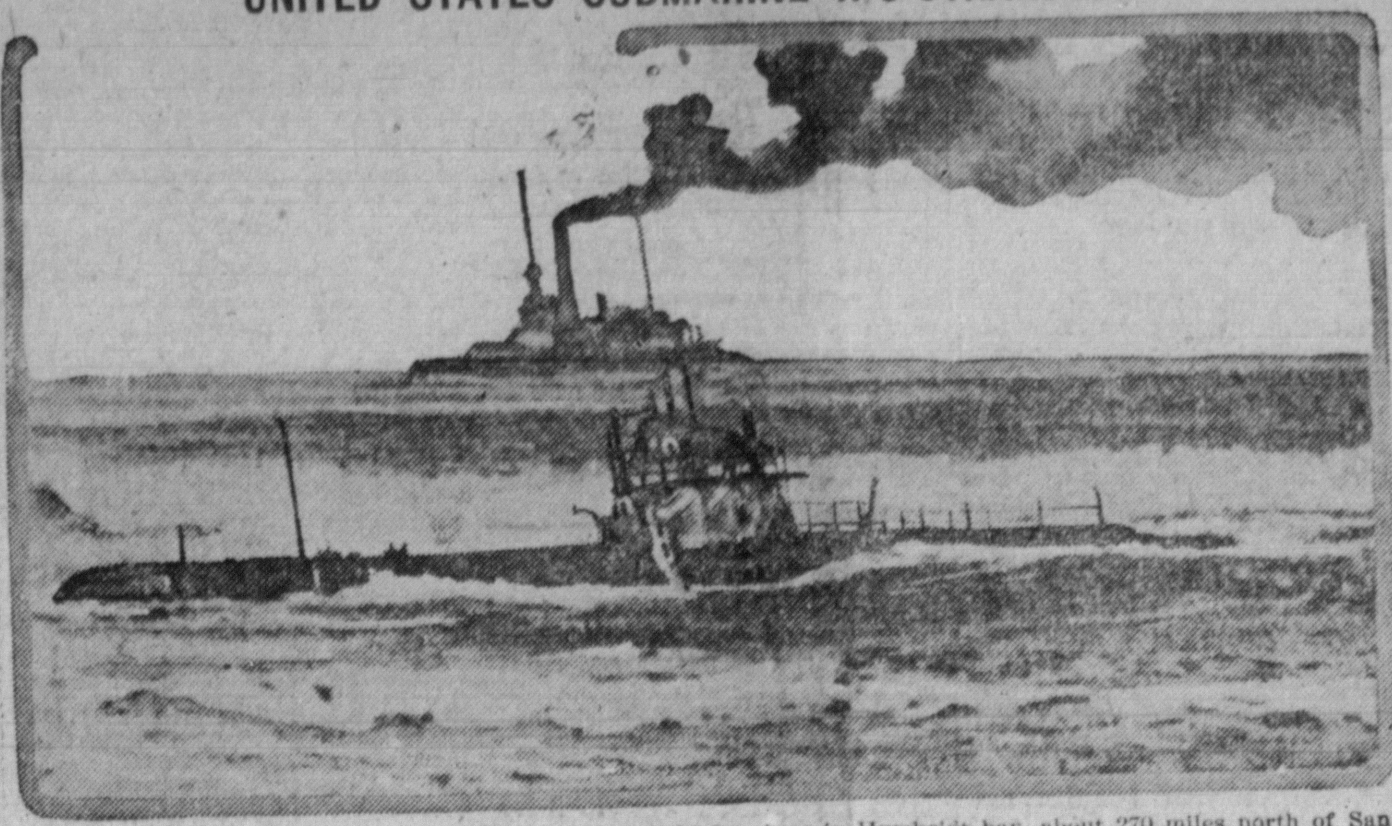
After a conference between officials of the stock exchange, their attorneys, and Sherman L. Whipple, counsel for the rules committee of the house, the following statement was issued last night:

"In order still further to expedite responses to the request for immediate information from brokers on the part of the rules committee, modifications have been made, a statement of which will be sent out by the stock exchange officials today."

Mrs. F. F. Tidwell Buys City Property

Mrs. F. F. Tidwell has purchased from the Decatur Land Company two unusually well located lots at Ninth street and Somerville pike. The lots were bought as an investment, it was stated.

UNITED STATES SUBMARINE H-3 STRANDED



The United States submarine H-3 as she lay in the breakers in Humboldt bay, about 270 miles north of San Francisco, where she stranded. The Cheyenne, the mother ship, is seen standing by in the background.

ALLIES PLAN GREAT DRIVE AGAINST SUBS

Navies of Four Great Entente Powers to Cooperate in Destruction of German U Boats.

(International News Service.)

London, Jan. 26.—The navies of the four great entente powers—England, France, Russia and Italy—have completed plans for a relentless war on their common enemy—the submarines—it is understood here. The plans were worked out at a conference of the allies' naval heads just concluded here. It is understood that measures to replace all the tonnage sunk by submarines also were outlined. In official circles it was stated that the naval conference forms the last link in the complete unification of the allied nations for the prosecution of the war. Political and military conferences were held in Rome sometime ago.

ONE BRITISH DESTROYER LOST IN NAVAL CLASH.

Berlin, Jan. 26.—The clash between German and British naval forces last Sunday resulted in complete destruction of one large British destroyer, the serious damaging of another and injuries to two German torpedo boats, according to a statement given out here today by the Overseas News Agency.

Everybody Reads The Daily Ads; Experiment Furnishes The Proof

Does the public read the advertisements in The Albany-Decatur Daily?

"Bet your life."

Does it read the ads closely?

"Sure, Mike."

Just to prove this fact conclusively, the Daily yesterday ran an office ad which read: "Which kind of printing do you prefer, printing that you are glad to send out to represent your firm—or 'just anything' with your name on it? If you prefer the latter, let us have your order."

Well, yesterday afternoon the wise ones began to jibe the Daily office about the supposed error in the ad—which wasn't an error at all, but was done with crafty purpose. Today they kept it up. Even E. R. Whitton, the popular superintendent of the Alabama Water Company, took the trouble to walk by the Daily office, stick his head in the door and inquire: "Can I get any of that bum printing done?"

Of course, they read the ads. Just try one and get some first hand information.

"LITTLE NAVY" MEN ON THE WARPATH

SOUTHERN REPRESENTATIVES MAY AID REPUBLICANS IN BLOCKING PROGRESS.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—Democratic pacifists today went on the warpath to knock the preparedness provisions out of the new revenue bill.

This measure will be laid before a caucus of house democrats tonight. Up to today it was taken for granted that the bill, which has been formulated by Chairman Kitchen and his democratic colleagues of the house ways and means committee, would receive the unanimous sanction of the majority party. Opposition was looked for only from republicans on the floor of the house. But a powerful group of southern democrats who are "little navy men," have been at work with the result that a strong opposition to the revenue bill is being mustered on the majority side. These statesmen point out that two-thirds of the $300,000,000 deficit which the country will face at the end of the current fiscal year will be due to the $200,000,000 increase over last year's appropriation to be voted in the three preparedness bills—the army, navy and fortifications bills.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

James McKee, of Harvest, to Miss Piercie Mae Cook, of Atlanta.

GERMANS STORM FRENCH TRENCHES

HAND TO HAND FIGHTING RESULTS OVER FRONT OF NEARLY ONE MILE.

(International News Service.)

Berlin, Jan. 26.—Continuing, their activity against the French positions in the Verdun sector, German troops stormed the French trenches on a front of nearly a mile at Hill No. 304, the war office announced today. Hand to hand fighting resulted. The enemy suffered sanguinary losses and the Germans captured 500 prisoners. The French launched counter attacks during the night which were immediately checked.

The war office announced success for the Germans at Dead Man's Hill, northeast of Avacourt.

On the eastern front the capture of more Russian positions followed attacks by Prussian divisions. The Germans captured 500 prisosers and repulsed counter attacks.

Mrs. Koester Dies at Her Residence Here

Mrs. Catherine Koester, aged 74 years, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Clemens Hauk, Tuesday, and the body was taken to Cullman for interment yesterday. Rev. J. H. Heiserman, pastor of the Lutheran church here, conducted the services at the home, and Rev. Piper conducted the services at the grave.

FALKVILLE STORE IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

JONES-SOMERFORD HARDWARE COMPANY SUFFERS HEAVY LOSS FROM THE FLAMES.

The Janes-Somerford Hardware Company's handsome store at Falkville was completely destroyed by fire Wednesday night, according to advices received here today. The loss will extend into the thousands and is only partially covered by insurance.

King's restaurant, located adjoining the Jones-Somerford property, also was destroyed and several other business places slightly damaged.

It is planned to rebuild all of the burned places immediately, it is said.

U. S. SHIPPING TO BREAKALL RECORDS

G. W. POWELL PREDICTS IN 1917 TOTAL TONNAGE WILL REACH 1,000,000.

(International News Service.)

Pittsburgh, Jan. 26.—Prediction that the United States will in 1917 for the first time show a tonnage of over 1,000,000 gross tons of shipping, was made today by G. W. Powell, president of the Fore River Building Corporation of Quincy, Mass., speaking at the second day's session of the National Foreign Trades convention.

Mr. Powell said on Jan. 1, 1917, there were 403 vessels of 1,495,000 gross tons under contract in American shipyards. He declared of this total over one-third were for foreign accounts. He estimated that the American merchant marine will see an increase of over 750,000 gross tons during the year. Practically all of today's session was given over to the consideration of ways and means of bringing about a restoration of the American merchant marine to its once proud position on the seven seas.

ALABAMA IS GIVEN BIG ROAD FUNDS

MORE THAN $200,000 AVAILABLE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNDER NEW LAW.

$208,279 is available for Alabama to be used in road building for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1918, according to an announcement at Washington. Ten million is the total to be appropriated under the terms of the new Bankhead law for this year, while $300,000 has been deducted for defraying the cost of administering the law.

The following amounts are received by the Southern states:

Alabama, $208,297; Arkansas, $165,378; Florida, $111,952; Georgia, $268,658; Kentucky, $194,943; Louisiana, $134,940; Maryland, $88,094; Mississippi, $177,811; North Carolina, $228,763; Oklahoma, $230,278; South Carolina, $143,615; Tennessee, $228,306; Texas, $583,855; Virginia, $299,321,

KAISER MAY START A NEW PEACE MOVE ON HIS BIRTHDAY

French Paper Claims to Have Learned of German Rulers' Intention to Lead Dove Crusade

WILSON LEAGUE ATTACKED IN THE SENATE

Borah and Cummins Resolutions Launched By Enemies of Wilson's Plan. President Will Be Hands Off

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—The scheduled peace debate in the senate was again postponed today. Neither Senator Borah nor Senator Cummins called up their resolutions relating to the president's peace address.

(International News Service.)

Washingtos, Jan. 26.—The majority of the Latin-American nations approved in substance President Wilson's peace suggestions before they were delivered to the senate. This was admitted at the state department today. It definitely was denied that Uruguay had entered protest against being committed in any way when the proposal was broached to her foreign office.

It was stated that the Latin-American countries had been sounded out on the general proposal later enunciated by the president. For the most part the replies made were of the most favorable character, it was admitted.

(International News Service.)

Paris, Jan. 26.—The Kaiser is contemplating a new peace move which may come at any time, possibly tomorrow, on his birthday, according to a story printed in L'Oeuvre today.

This story comes from an annonymous source which the paper says has sources of information in Germany that are reliable. The emporer's letter to Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollwegg was written with this in mind, according to the L'Oeurve's informant.

The Kaiser, it is stated, will follow along this general line: "The allies are posing as future organizers of the world peace. Since the allies object to my offer, but all adhere to the idea of universal peace, I will be the first promoter of this peace, and propose that all parties meet forthwith to discuss the primordial articles of war end, namely, the reorganization of peace."

PEACE PLAN ATTACKED IN THE AMERICAN SENATE

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—Clouds gathered thickly today and the storm of attack on the president's plan for world peace enforced by a strong international league threatened from two quarters.

The Cummins resolution permitting unlimited debate on the proposal of the president which startled the world Monday has not yet been acted upon by the senate. The Borah resolution of yesterday, while not specifically mentioning the president's address is more of a direct attack upon its effectiveness. Opponents of the president's plan in the senate were marshalling their forces today for a concentrated offensive by attempting to pass the Borah resolution recommitting the United States to its opposition to "entangling alliances."

Those with authority to outline the president's attitude declared today again that he will take no hand in the senate's fight. However, the fact that England is about to begin a consideration of the conduct of the empire following the restoration of peace is regarded here as of extreme significance.

BABY OVERCOME BY GAS IN BATH TUB

BOBBY MARKS DEAD AND GERTRUDE MARKS NARROWLY ESCAPES DEATH.

Relatives here have been advised of the death of four-year-old Bobby Marks and the serious injury of Gertrude Marks, aged 13, at Shreveport, La. The children were bathing when they were overcome by gas fumes from a water heater. Bobby lost consciousness and fell back into the tub and was drowned, while his sister fell across the heater and was burned badly.

Bobby was the child of R. E. Marks, a brother of Mrs. E. L. Raney, of Athens. The family formerly lived here.

The following dispatch from Shreveport was received by The Daily today:

"Four-year-old Bobbie Marks was asphyxiated and drowned and his sister, Gertrude, aged 13, was seriously burned at their home, 601 Stoner avenue, Saturday afternoon, during the absence of their mother, Mrs. Robt. O. Marks. Mrs. Marks, who was down town, left the two girls alone in the house, feeling secure in the knowledge that no harm was apt to befall them as long as Mrs. Forbes, a roomer, was about the place.

"Mrs. Forbes was the first to discover the accident. Fearing that something was wrong when noise from the bathroom, where the two children were having a bath, suddenly ceased, Mrs. Forbes went to the bathroom, found the door locked, and when she received no answer to repeated knocks, summoned help and forced the door. They found Bobbie beneath the water in the bath tub and Gertrude stretched out on the floor in front of a gas stove, her right arm and side, back and face severely burned.

"Dr. G. H. Cassity was summoned and worked on Bobbie for an hour while a pulmotor was being brought to the house. But artificial respiration failed to restore her and when the Southwestern Gas and Electric Company's pulmotor was put to work, two hours' application also failed to resuscitate the child.

"While Dr. Cassity was working with Bobbie, Dr. T. E. Williams, who had been summoned, worked with Gertrude and succeeded in reviving her. She was sent to a neighbor's house, where it was reported she is recovering.

"The bath room which was the scene of the tragedy, is a small affair, equipped with an instantaneous water heater for the tub and a small gas stove. The heater, it was reported, has been in defective condition for some time, a previous roomer reporting having left the bath room several times slightly affected by gas.

"Bobbie Marks, it was stated, succumbed to the gas fumes and heat

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W. E. Crawford is on Club Governing Board

Postmaster W. E. Crawford today was notified he has been named a member of the board of governors of the Monte Sano Country club. The following other members have been appointed to the board:

Jos. J. Bradley, Luke Matthews, Milton Lanier, W. F. Garth, Dr. Westmoreland, S. S. Fletcher, W. I. Wellman, R. C. Chase, Lawrence B. Goldsmith, W. R. Hutton, Robt. E. Spraggins, W. T. Hutchens.

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THE GOVERNMENT THWARTED BY THE TRUST'S "PULL."

Fed upon American "meat" the trusts have grown so great they now even dare to interfere with purchases made by the federal government. The "high protection" pap that converted the swaddling industry of half a century ago into the towering octopus of today, has done its work well. The latest and most striking instance of the "pull" of big business is the cancelling of an order placed by the United States with a British firm for munitions of war. And the reason that the order was to be filled from abroad was that the price was much lower than that quoted by competing concerns on this side of the Atlantic.

It is not the tariff wall of today that is responsible. The Underwood bill leveled that. However, it did not clip the wings of entrenched monopoly, that had already assumed such herculean proportions. With the outbreak of the European war no tariff was needed for the enrichment of any American concern. Competition was practically eliminated.

There is but little to be said for the patriotism of the English manufacturer who contracted to sell munitions to a neutral nation at a time when they were so badly needed at home. From the American viewpoint this was an act that bordered close on treason. However, the assurance was given Secretary of the Navy Daniels that the bid was made and the order accepted with the sanction of the home government. This being true, there is no reason why delivery should be withheld. Failure to do so was a breach of contract, and this breach must be attributed to the strongest pressure.

Did that pressure come from American firms? Secretary Daniels intimates that it did. It is not unnatural to suppose that just at this time Britain's dependence on America for munitions is such that even the war council would not dare to ignore an ultimatum signed by the Steel Trust or the Munitions Combine.

The situation is one that calls for action upon the part of the federal government. There is but one way out of a humiliating predicament. And that way is for the United States to begin to manufacture its own armor, its own munitions and its own nitrate. Thus will complete emancipation be assured.

THE RURAL TRADE; OUR OPPORTUNITY.

The statement that the rural trade of local merchants has doubled in the past two years was made by Carl Patterson, prominent local merchant, in Wednesday's issue of The Daily. The gist of Mr. Patterson's explanation for this remarkable increase is the high price paid here to the farmers for their cotton and the extremely low prices put by local business men on their merchandise.

Mr. Patterson's statement that the rural trade has doubled is extremely cheering to local business men and from all indications it is correct.

The bringing of more farmers to the Twin Cities is of prime importance in building up the cities. Decatur blazed the way some months ago when a rest room for women from the country was erected. Here the farmers' wives were invited to congregate while their husbands sold their cotton and made their purchases. The movement begun so auspiciously by the women of Decatur should not be allowed to languish. The club women of Albany should also take up the matter.

These and other plans to bring the farmers to the Twin Cities should not be neglected. The solution of the problem should be one of the early objectives of Albany's new board of commerce.

The Birmingham Ledger says that "the berries and vegetables don't take such risks as plums and peaches." Is that a reflection upon the chivalry of the Magic City?

It is now denied that the Canadian government has advanced the price of paper. We always believed that only the paper trust had the audacity to mark the quotations up.

HARTSELLE'S LOSS.

The resignation of J. L. Day as mayor of Hartselle, the severing of the official connection being deemed necessary by Mr. Day because of the increased duties of his private business, is a distinct loss to the city of Hartselle. For some years past Mr. Day has served as city commissioner and mayor, and under him the city has prospered. Mr. Day is highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends throughout Morgan county who regretted to learn of his resignation. Mr. Day recently purchased the business in which he formerly owned a half interest.

The election of I. J. Kent as mayor of Hartselle will give general satisfaction. Mr. Kent has served as city clerk for the past four years and has been identified with the upbuilding of Hartselle since the establishment of the city.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

The practice of reckless automobile driving continues to menace life and limb in Albany, Ala. The officials are loath to apply the acid of fining drivers and owners of machines who fail to observe the laws of the city in this matter, but it is surely coming and if you will insist upon breaking the law you may look forward to being hauled up in the mayor's court and being made to pay a good fat fine. Look out, friend. Just a word of warning in order that you may slow up before it's too late.

Senator Borah has introduced a resolution in the senate asking it to re-affirm its faith in the Monroe Doctrine. There is a strong suspicion that the senate wouldn't do that much for the Ten Commandments.

Internal revenue receipts show an increased consumption of liquors. Now let the anti-prohibitionists aid the brewers and distillers to amass larger fortunes by voting more states dry.

Inasmuch as Wilson's new peace move suits neither Mr. Bryan nor the entente powers it must possess the merit of being well-balanced and thoroughly neutral.

School children are now using both sides of the paper in examinations, for economy's sake. And the newspapers would like to use both sides and the edges.

Brooks Lawrence says that no "bone dry" law is contemplated for Alabama. That at least leaves the "bone of contention."

Bonar Law seems to hold the opinion that President Wilson's peace league would be all right if the Germans were winning.

Greece has very kindly apologized to the allies for being insulted by them.

Mississippi at least has a namesake in the navy, if not a first-class newspaper in the state.

Given two weeks' time to get into the "leak" court, Wall street's books won't need bailing out.

After all, that German raider has proved to be only a Hamburgher.

Salt for Pigeons.

A little salt mixed with a quantity of common yellow clay and placed on the roof or on a board on the side of an outbuilding will attract the common pigeons to such an extent it will not be difficult to secure quite a bevy of these birds. It is known that the pigeon loves a little salt, and as most of the natural salt licks, as they were called in early days, are gone, the birds will soon discover the salt with the moist earth.

Horticulture in Mustaches.

Children are consistent and logical in their thinking, if nothing else.

Uncle Jim removed a mustache he had worn for a year or so. A relative remarked she never had seen Uncle Jim with a mustache, and another member of the family said: "Oh, yes, he grew it about two years ago."

"Did he plant the seed?" little Bobbie asked.—Indianapolis News.

Just In Passing

ALL CALL HIM "PARSON."

"All my life I had lived without a nick-name, but I believe I am caught at last," said John Green, new probate court clerk, who now is "Parson" to scores of friends, because he recently assumed the judicial cloak of one who is permitted to perform marriage ceremonies. "I thought I was going to escape a nick-name, but since the Daily called me 'Parson' several days ago, the general public apparently has fallen into the habit and 'Parson' I am to the biggest part of that portion I know."

The "Passing" printed in yesterday's Daily regarding the rather unusual answer made by a student in the Albany public school to an examination question in English, today caused one of the teachers to relate another remarkable statement given on exams, that is highly interesting—if true.

The teacher said one of her pupils was asked to give the plural of man. The answer came in "The plural of man is woman." Perhaps he meant after marriage, for before the man was certainly "single."

NOW A NATION OF 102,826,309

United States Has Made Great Gains in Population Despite European War.

The wars are costing the United States in this decade 3,000,000 in immigrants, yet we are gaining in numbers somewhat faster than in the last decade, or so the census bureau estimate of population for January 1, 1917, would indicate. It is 102,826,309, or, including the islands, 113,309,285.

The end of the year completes two-thirds of the decade and shows a gain of not quite 11,000,000, observes the New York World. A total of 108,000,000 or more may be expected in 1920. If peace had continued, a gain of nearly 20,000,000 would not have been impossible.

To New York the census bureau assigns for six and two-thirds years more than twice the gain the state census allowed for five years; it is doubtless nearer the truth. By 1920 the empire state should reach 11,000,000. At the present rate Pennsylvania should increase 4,240,000 in ten years. California 900,000, Texas 864,000, and Illinois 832,000. California has already about as many people as declared their independence in 1776.

The Emperor Claudius took a census of 6,945,000 Romans—men only. That may have meant in all 20,000,000 citizens. Gibbon thought slaves and provincials might have made an empire total of 120,000,000, but it was a generous guess. The British, Chinese and Russian empires now surpass the United States in total numbers; none equals it in the number of educated and energetic whites—unless we count as a single power the vast Germanic system which reaches from Antwerp to Bagdad under the rule of Berlin.

COUNT TUNNELS BY MILES

Underground Workings of Anthracite Coal Mines a Constant Source of Expense to Owners.

Anthracite coal mines in this country have over 7,000 miles of tunnels. Of these, 2,000 are in the Schuylkill region, which ships about 28 per cent of the total anthracite production. In the Lehigh and Wyoming regions, which furnish the remaining 72 per cent of output, there must be over 5,000 miles of tunnels.

These underground roads are a great expense. All the coal that can be recovered from them is constantly increasing, and this adds greatly to the cost of the mines. Water that runs into these underground passages must be steadily pumped out to protect adjacent workings, and air must be forced in to prevent the formation of dangerous gases. To protect the surface and make possible the recovery of a little more coal, large sums of money are annually spent for pumping refuse back into the workings by hydraulic process.

A further problem of large cost is the timbering of the mines. Pennsylvania timber has long been stripped from the hills and yellow pine from the South must be brought in. Mine timbers and lumber cost the operators $5,000,000 annually.

The H. C. of Living.

"Dis heah cost o' livin'," observed Mandy Morgan, "is gittin' somethin' awful! Would you believe me, a single ham done cost mah husband six months in jail?"—Puck.

OLD TIME ENGINEER GAINS 20 POUNDS

WOULDN'T TAKE ALL MONEY IN UNIVERSE FOR GOOD TANLAC DID HIM.

Everybody in Jacksonville, Fla., either knows or has heard of Engineer Chas. J. Weeks, who runs the Seaboard Air Line fast train "Fox" between Jacksonville and Tampa. Mr. Weeks bears the distinction of being the second oldest engineer in point of service with his road, having been with the company thirty-three years. He is a man of very temperate habits, few words and strong convictions. According to his own statement he has never taken a drink or used tobacco in any form. He not only has a splendid record for efficiency as a railroad man, but is held in the very highest esteem by his fellow citizens in Jacksonville.

"I've gained twenty pounds on seven bottles of Tanlac and feel as well and happy as I did when a boy," said Mr. Weeks to the Tanlac representative who had called by special invitation at his attractive residence, 2139 Lydia street, for his statement a few days ago.

"For twenty years I suffered with nervous indigestion of the worst sort" he continued, "and at times during the past fifteen years I didn't think I would last much longer. To tell you the truth, I finally reached the point where I didn't much care whether I lived or died.

"After eating I would have so much gas on my stomach and would get so puffed up I couldn't hardly fasten my clothes on. My food would sour and curdle and I would have heartburn so bad I would feel like a piece of hot iron was laying in my stomach, and the pains were simply awful. To tell you the truth, I just don't know how I lived. I could eat no meats or sweets of any kind, and for days I would have to live almost entirely on bread and water. God only knows how I suffered. I just can't describe it. The pains around my heart and the palpitation were so intense I thought at times I must have heart trouble. I couldn't find anything to relieve my troubles, although I tried hard.

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Writers' Ways of Work.

A writer in La Revue of Paris in an article concerning the idiocyncrasies of authors, comments on the penchant many show for saving their literary labors for the night hours. George Sand hardly ever wrote anything except at night. She began writing ordinarily at midnight and continued until four in the morning. Of accomplishment during these hours Edmond de Goncourt said: "You know she works from midnight until four o'clock. And you know what happened to her once. A monstrous thing! One day she finished a novel at one o'clock in the morning—and she began another that very night. Turning out copy is a function with Mme. Sand."

SCHOOL IS 200 YEARS OLD

Member of John Brown Raiding Party Taught in Connecticut Institution.

The controversy over the location of the new school building for the Long Hill school district, has brought to light some interesting history in connection with the building of the East Long Hill district, which will be abandoned as soon as the new building is erected. It is probable that this present building is one of the oldest schoolhouses in the state still in use. Old residents of the district claim that it dates back nearly 200 years, and that it is still used shows with what care the building was erected. The building is located on a hill and is built of stone, a rather unusual feature. It is interesting to recall, in connection with the school, that John E. Cooke, one of the members of John Brown's raiding party, and who was later hanged with him, once taught in this school. He was born in Killingworth, and as a young man came to Middletown to teach school. Later on, he went West and became acquainted with the famous liberator. Lyman M. Baldwin, one of the well-known residents of the district, says he has frequently heard his grandfather speak of attending the old stone schoolhouse, and often related a prank which some of his boy companions played there one night. The boys of the neighborhood had been in the habit of gathering in the schoolhouse at night to play cards, their only light being the embers of the fire which had been burning on the hearth during the day. One night some of the mothers of the neighborhood surprised the boys by suddenly appearing. Rather than get caught the boys all jumped out of windows, and then one of them locked the door on the mothers. The result was that the boys were all home in bed by the time the mothers had returned.—Middletown Correspondence Hartford Courant.

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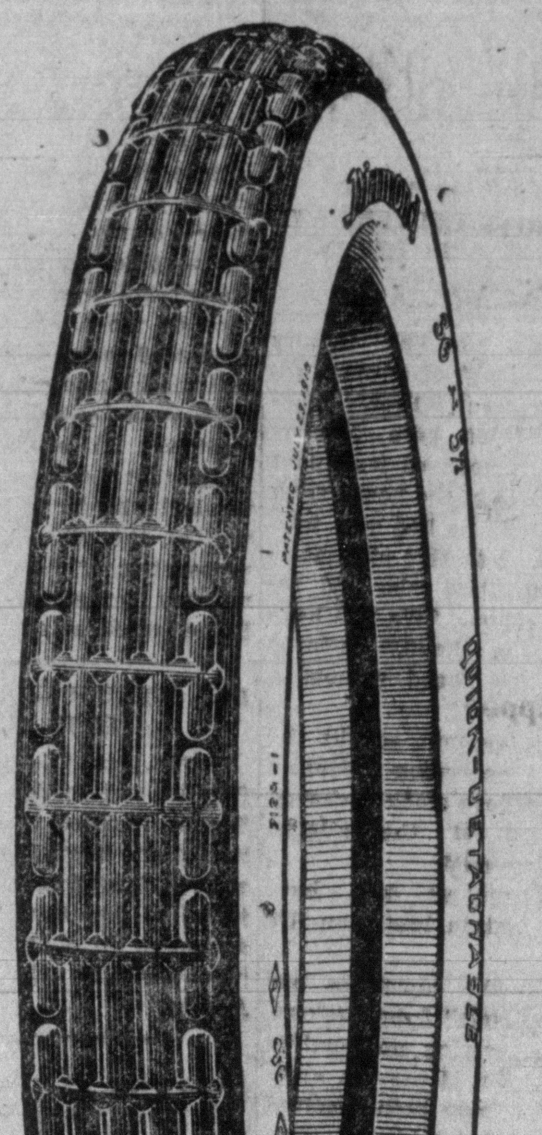

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One of the pretty events of the mid-winter season was the card party of Thursday, given by Mrs. W. H. Driskill and Mrs. Jno. Pointer. The lower floor of the Graham apartment was thrown together and thirteen tables arranged for Bridge. Those playing were: Mesdames B. B. Pickens, A. A. Hardage, L. E. Bullard, Miss Mary Penick, Mesdames C. B. Elliott, R. G. Cortner, Paul Crawford, W. R. Smith, T. A. Caddell, J. H. Donnell, H. N. Binford, T. H. Gill, W. A. Bibb, Miss Clarkson, Mrs. R. H. Wolcott, Mrs. W. A. Curry, Mrs. O. Kyle, Mrs. E. Calvin, Mrs. E. Sanders, Mrs. E. W. Godbey, Mrs. W. H. Duncan, Mrs. Gover, Mrs. F. F. Tidwell, Mrs. Wm. Nelson, Miss Dancy, Miss L. Williamson, Mrs. J. W. Jones, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Mrs. H.A. King, Miss Mary Lee Skeggs, Mrs. H. A. Skeggs, Mrs. J. H. Calvin, Mrs. J. W. Troy, Mrs. W. K. McNeill, Miss J. Morrow, Mrs. B. Wall, Miss N. Morrow, Mrs. F. Lide, Mrs. D. S. Echols, Mrs. Fred Knight, Miss A. Adams, Mrs. Stanley Green, Mrs. Chas. Odom, Mrs. Paul Pernelle, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Swope, Misses Tate Ashford and M. Morrow, Mrs. W. R. Hall, Mrs. Alex Humphrey, Mrs. J. E. Evans, Miss Helen Hays.

The top score was made by Mrs. J. W. Jones, and the second prize was won by Mrs. Frank Lide. They were joined for the delightful refreshment course by Mrs. W. R. Shelton and Mrs. Milton Harvey.

COTACO CLUB.

Mrs. Melvin Hutson entertained the Cotaco club on Wednesday; leader, Mrs. Dave Humphrey, when the following program was enjoyed:

Round Table—"Spain and the Thirty Years' War."

Readings by Misses Fannie Johnson and Ruby White.

Red and white carnations were used to beautify the reception suite, and a delightful salad course was served.

The Child Labor Day on January 28 will be generally observed throughout Alabama by churches of all denominations.

Miss Helen Wallace will return tonight from Roanoke, Va., where she has been a guest of relatives for several months.

Mrs. John D. Wyker and Mrs. J. H. Calvin will go to Birmingham on Saturday to attend a meeting of the executive board of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, of which they are officials. The members will be entertained at luncheon at the Hillman Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hester, of Kankakee, Ill., are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Samuel Spielberger.

Mrs. A. P. Smith, of Vinemont, is the guest of friends in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Irwin and children, of Hillsboro, are the guests of relatives in Decatur.

CLUB CALENDAR.

Thursday.

Bridge party at 2 p. m., Grant street—Mrs. W. H. Driskill.

Friday.

Auction Bridge—Mrs. W. K. McNeill.

Needle Club—Mrs. W. E. Roper.

Saturday.

Silk Stocking Club—Miss Mary Penick.

MRS. BALLAS ENTERTAINS.

The Canal Street Rook club was entertained most pleasantly yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Peter Ballas, assisted by Mrs. Fred Hunt and Estelle Hartzes. The games were contested at five tables, the guests of the occasion being Mesdames W. H. Watson, W. C. Bailey, Pat Brock, Tom Baker, W. N. Brily, T. J. Tilman, Miss Camody and Mrs. E. L. Hunt, of Louisville, Ky. Mrs. J. B. Cassells was awarded the club prize. Mrs. Tom Baker, the guest prize, and Miss Camody the consolation on the cut. A salad course was served.

Mrs. David C. Almon was painfully injured last night shortly after 7 o'clock in front of her home on Gordon Drive, when she slipped and fell to the concrete pavement. Mrs. Almon's right arm was badly wrenched and she sustained other bruises, but her friends will be glad to know she is resting well today.

Miss Mamrie Waugh of Somerville was in the cities today.

Mrs. R. B. White is convalescent from an attack of grippe.

PERSONALS

F. A. Bloodworth has returned from a business trip to Bessemer.

Col. Tennis Tidwell spent yesterday in Birmingham on legal business.

J. H. Calvin is in Guntersville on business today.

H. L. Turner will go to Birmingham on tomorrow to attend the missionary conference of the Presbyterian church.

W. W. Garnett left last night for Arkansas, where he will remain until the condition of his health permits him to return.

BIRTH.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Keltner are being congratulated on the birth of a little son.

WITH THE LOVED "AUTOCRAT"

Life of Oliver Wendell Holmes an Inspiration to All Who Have Read His Writings.

His readers always talk of their "intimacy" with Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes; they know what kind of person he was as well as what he taught. They know that he loved rowing and horses and great trees; that he was full of sentiment for his childhood; that he liked men to be strong and sanguine, and honored the weakness of women; that he loathed all gloom and unhealthiness; that charity and tolerance were the virtues he loved, and if one could combine them with wit it was so much to the good.

Above all, one must enjoy life and live to the utmost of one's powers.

It reads something like a medical prescription, and one does not want health alone. Nevertheless, when the obvious objections are made, we need not doubt that it will benefit thousands in the future, and they will love the man who lived as he wrote.

Misdirected Ambition.

Love of display—to outshine their neighbors—seems to be the sole ambition of many women. Circumstances do not concern them—they want to get ahead of those around who are more prosperous than they are, and sometimes do get ahead regardless of the fact that they are compelled to go beyond their means to accomplish this end.

Persons whose incomes are limited know, or should know, that they cannot imitate those to whom money is a secondary consideration, yet many misguided women, who should count every penny, live or try to live as their well-to-do neighbors. For a time the farce is kept up, but when the crash comes the only real sufferer in the foolish drama is the merchant or firm who extended a line of credit to the woman in the case.—Exchange.

President Invited to Visit the Battlefields

(International News Service.)

London, Jan. 26.—President Wilson was invited today by the Pall Mall Gazette to visit the shell torn battlefields of the villages and towns of northern France to get a first hand view of war times. Such a visit, the Gazette believes would cause Mr. Wilson to change his mind concerning a lot of things. The Gazette is known as Lloyd George's paper.

A Daily want ad will rent your spare room for you.

Mangrove Forests in Bahamas.

Mangrove trees are to me the most fascinating of all the vegetable growths of our strange planet. When young, as we thus first came upon them, at the opening of the creek, there is something tender and idylic about them, with the fresh, childlike, laureline leaves and dangling rods of emerald that were really the suckers of their banianlike roots; but, as we proceeded inland they grew into an absence and bizarre maturity, like nightmares striding out in every direction, with prancing, skeleton feet planted in noisome, festering swamps, and stretching out horned, clawing hands that seemed to take root as one looked and threw out other roots of horror like a dream.—Richard Le Gallienne, in Harper's Magazine.

Mistletoe.

In ancient times garlands and bouquets of the mistletoe were hung in taverns and doorways to ward off evil, and by many worn as an amulet attracting good influences. This aversion doubtless sprang from a Christian prejudice against a plant deemed sacred by the pagans, a legend of the monks holding that the mistletoe bough was cursed and never again permitted to grow as an independent growth, since it had been the tree from which was fashioned the cross of the crucifixion. In the West of England mistletoe is not allowed to enter into church decorations.

CURRENT WIT and HUMOR

Victims of Friendship.

"And why are you here, my man?" asked the parson who was visiting the state prison of convict 41,144.

"Me frien's got me in dis joint," replied the victim bitterly.

"Why, how is that?" asked the sympathetic visitor.

"It wuz like dis," explained 41,144. "De judge gimme de high-sign, meanin' dat I wuz t' be hanged, but me fool frien's got de gov'ner t' change de program t' puttin' me in de lockup fer life. See?"

He Lost Out.

He was poor, but otherwise honest. It wasn't his fault. He tried to change conditions by proposing to an heiress.

But the wedding bells did not ring.

"Oh, well," he said, philosophically, "money isn't everything."

"True," rejoined the fair but unfair maid, "but with it one can buy almost any old thing that it isn't."

It Isn't So Now.

"Times have changed."

"Yes."

"In the old days if you had asked a society dame if she danced the hula-hula, she would have felt insulted."

HE'D BEEN MARRIED TWICE.

She—Marriage is a lottery.
He—And most men draw a blank.

Another Little Dig.

Some women carry their ages quite well,
But it is a dollar to a dime
The reason is—it's a shame to tell—
They carry but half at a time.

The Kindly Reporter.

"What do you think of America?" asked the newspaper reporter.

"It is ze grand country, monsieur."

"And I may quote you to that effect?"

"Oui, oui, monsieur. Zis land make—what you call it?—ze hit with me."

"Thanks. I shall also add that you speak English perfectly."

His Specialty.

"You say that pasty-faced individual is expert in nautical sports?"

"Yes."

"He certainly doesn't look as if he could swim or sail a boat."

"He can't, but he's one of the smoothest card sharps who ever stepped aboard an ocean liner."

Death to Harmony.

"What is that dreadful noise?"

"Miss Yowler is taking her vocal exercises."

"Heavens! I thought it was a murder."

"And so it is. She's murdering a song."

Getting Out.

"I see where a chap was caught kissing his pretty cousin, the wife of another man. There was the dickens of a row."

"And no wonder?"

"He plead consanguinity."

"Umph! He'd better change that plea to insanity."

Thrift.

"One of the most economical men I have ever met."

"Yes?"

"But along modern lines."

"What do you mean by that?"

"He never wastes a drop of gasoline."

Base Betrayal.

"Why is Maude crying so?"

"Because her father can't bear James Jones, and he came into the room just when the parrot was saying to itself, 'Well, just one more, Jimmy!'"

Plausible Theory.

Heinie—Who originated the saying, "The unexpected always happens?"

Omar—Must have been some chap connected with the weather bureau, I suppose.

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There are some southern pines that are comparatively reasonable and which give good results. Houses built of them in Virginia and the Carolinas attest to their durability. It is suitable for interior finish, as it has a variety of grains and takes on a good finish, whether in soft stain or hard enamel paint.

Cypress is being used for many purposes. The great swamps of the South are yielding up their forests and the lumber is finding its way into the northern markets. This is not as strong a wood as some others, but it has good lasting qualities and is equally good for exterior and interior finish. It is very satisfactory finished in its natural color.

A wood that is finding much favor for interior finish is the red gum, also from the South. It may be had highly figured or plain, quarter-sawed or plain-sawed, and it takes a very fine finish. The red gum is finished in its natural tones or stained to imitate mahogany and sometimes brown walnut.

Strangers get your social rating from your calling cards. See the line of engraved cards for men and women at the Daily office. We keep up with the styles.

Life as a Game.

"Life," remarked the bachelor, "is like a game of cards."

"It's more like a game of chess from my point of view," rejoined the married man. "I invariably move twice a year."

A Good Reason Why.

Meeks—I laughed at my wife when she first took up physical culture for a fad.

Seeks—Why don't you now?

Meeks—I dassen't.

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BABY OVERCOME BY GAS IN BATHTUB

(Continued from Page One.)

first. She was in the tub, it was said, and called to her sister to take her out and when Gertrude went to her assistance, she herself succumbed to the fumes and fell across the small heater.

"The children had been romping and when the noise suddenly stopped the sudden silence attracted Mrs Forbes' attention and the investigation followed. Dr. Cassity was unable to state whether the child's death was due to asphyxiation or drowning, but thought that dioxide gas given off in the form of unconsumed fumes from the gas stove was primarily responsible and that death by drowning followed the loss of consciousness.

"The funeral of little Bobby will occur this afternoon at 4 o'clock and burial will be in Greenwood cemetery. Dr. Jasper K. Smith, of the First Presbyterian church, and Pastor Drake, of Noel Memorial Methodist church, will conduct the services from the home.'

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our sincere appreciation for the many kindnesses extended to us by our friends in our recent bereavement in the death of our daughter.

MR. AND MRS. C. M. CLARK.

Senate Caucus Fails to Agree on its Program

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—The administration's hope of pushing its legislative program through congress at the recent session was at its lowest today. The failure of the senate caucus last night to reach an agreement upon the program for the few weeks before March 4 and adjournment, has made it practically certain that the administration legislative schedule cannot be acted on or that an extra session must be called. Today the legislative situation in the senate is back in the hands of the steering committee of the majority side.

Liner is Sending Out S. O. S. Calls For Help

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—The liner Prince John is sending out S. O. S. calls for immediate aid from Wrangel Island, where she has gone ashore. The vessel is taking water rapidly, says the last flash from her wireless, and asked any ship within a radius of possible aid to rush to her side. A wireless to the Merchants Exchange does not say whether the passengers are being placed in boats or not.

Wrangel island is but a short distance south of Wrangel, Alaska.

Business or professional cards, printed or engraved. The Daily.

Suffolk's Coast is Attacked By Germans

(International News Service.)

London, Jan. 26.—A small unidentified war vessel last night bombarded the Suffolk coast, it was officially announced today.. But little damage was done. The German vessel escaped. Many of the shells failed to reach land, the statement said.

Penny Newspaper is Doomed, Smith States

(International News Service.)

Chicago, Jan. 26.—The penny newspaper is doomed, Alexander Smith, of Chicago, paper manufacturer and banker, told prominent publishers from the Middle West here today. Mr. Smith told the publishers, in his opinion, they will never again be able to buy paper at a price which will permit them to sell their papers for one cent. The meeting was attended by the members of the federal trade commission and a representative of

Phonetic Stuff.

An Irish boy, during a Scripture examination, was asked:

"What will become of the proud man?"

"He'll be turned into an animal," was the prompt reply.

"An animal! What makes you say that?" asked the puzzled teacher.

"Shure, sorr, the Bible says that he that exalteth himself shall be a baste!" —Philadelphia Public Ledger.

"CLOSE OF A PERFECT DAY"

Just a Few Words in Appreciation of a Picnic That is Altogether Enjoyable.

I am partial to picnics—the spreading of the cloth in the woods or beside a stream—although I am not avid for sandwiches unless hunger press me. Rather, let there be a skillet in the company and let a fire be started. Nor need a picnic consume the day. In summer it requires but the late afternoon, with such borrowing of the night as is necessary for the journey home. You leave the street car, clanking with your bundles like an itinerant tinman. You follow a stream, which on these lower stretches, it is sad to say, is already infected with the vices of the city. Like many a countryman who has come to town, it has fallen to dissipation. It shows the marks of the bottle. Further up, its course is clearer. You cross it in the mud. Was it not Christian who fell into the bog because of the burden on his back? Then you climb a villainously long hill and pop out upon an open platform above the city.

The height commands a prospect to the west. Below is the smoke of a thousand suppers. Up from the city there comes the hum of life, now somewhat fallen with the traffic of the day—as though nature already practiced the tune for sending later her creatures off to sleep. You light a fire. The baskets disgorge their secrets. Ants and other leviathans think evidently that a circus has come or that bears are in the town. The chops and bacon achieve their appointed destiny. You throw the last bone across your shoulder. It slips and rattles to the river. The sun sets. Night like an ancient dame puts on her jewels.—Charles S. Brooks, in Yale Review.

Business or professional cards, from The Daily.

HEROINE OF KINGSLAND

Tessie McNamara, telephone switchboard girl at the big munition plant of the Canadian Car and Foundry company on the Jersey meadows near Kingsland, who happened to glance out of a window which overlooked a long avenue of concrete and iron one-story buildings and saw a wisp of smoke curling from the eaves of building 30, a shed stored with 200 gallons of gasoline and used for cleaning and polishing high explosive shells. With one bound, Tessie was back at the switchboard, her headgear adjusted, fighting to conquer her rising panic. She beat down her fears (she knew what smoke wisps portended in a vast plant packed with tremendous explosives) and rapidly connected with shed after shed—just a word or two: "Fire in shed 30—sure to reach shell cars on side track—don't wait a second—get all men out." As Tessie sent in her final calls, red-hot fragments of steel ripped from the bursting shells and flung high in the air descended upon the roof of the headquarters building within five feet of her head. Some of the pieces tore through, one just grazing her. She fainted. With building after building exploding, McArthur, the fire chief, and a few of his aids dragged the unconscious girl from the switchboard

U. S. Interested in Japan Developments

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—The United States is most vitally concerned over the new political crisis in Japan. Officials admitted this today. If the plans of Premier Teruchi, which culminated in the dissolution yesterday of the lower house of the Diet, are endorsed in the April elections it is entirely likely that the question of the "open door" in China immediately will be pressed to the front.

It is known here that the premier intends to insist on Japanese preferment in China to the fullest extent. It is also considered certain here that if he is endorsed he will immediately take up with the United States the question of the treatment of Japanese now in this country. By direction of Secretary Lansing, information regarding far eastern developments is withheld at the state department.

Mexico is Angry at Action of Lansing

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 26.—Bitter resentment throughout all Mexico is certain to follow Secretary Lansing's objections to certain portions of the new Mexican constitution. This resentment was very plain in Mexican circles here today. The action of the secretary in forwarding his objections direct to First Chief Carranza were characterized as "unwarranted interference in the internal affairs of a sovereign state." It was generally accepted that the future relations between the two governments are certain to be materially affected.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DRAG NET GETS 'EM ALL FEBUARY 11

Plans Perfected For Gigantic Rally For One Day Only. Superintendents League is Organized

South Side Baptist, 300.
Willoughby Presbyterian, 171.
First Presbyterian, 100.
First Christian, 100.
Central Methodist, 500.
First Baptist, Albany, 250.
First Methodist, 250.
Westminster Presbyterian, 200.

Representatives for the above Sunday schools pledged the above attendance, for the Twin City "Go-to-Sunday-School Day," Feb. 11, at a meeting of Sunday school superintendents, their assistants and representatives held at the Hotel Hilda last night.

The business meeting was preceded by a dining in the safe of the hotel, the head of the table being occupied by Rev. W. B. Strong of the Willoughby Presbyterian church, who offered thanks at the opening of the meal, which was a feast to a queen's taste. The business meeting was held in the Hotel parlor, and was opened by D. C. Vohlers, who acted as temporary chairman until the election of Carlisle Buck as permanent chairman, and Henry Hartung as secretary. These men were elected as the leaders in the "Go-to-Sunday-School Day" movement, and also as president and secretary of the local branch of the Sunday School Superintendent's Union, which organization was formed last night.

It was directed by the meeting that 400 programs be requisitioned from the Montgomery office of the Interdenominational Sunday School association; that twelve large folders be ordered from the same source; also five charts and about twelve "Banner School Charts." It was pointed out by Mr. Vohlers that the state organization bore the entire expense of this literature, and that if any collection was taken by any of the schools for the state work, it was to be strictly voluntary.

Clyde Hendrix, superintendent of the First Methodist church of Decatur, invited the Union to attend the Methodist district Sunday school conference which convenes in February in the First Methodist church.

Those attending last night's meeting, either as officers or as appointed representatives, were: Clyde Hendrix, superintendent of First Methodist church; Carlisle Buck, superintendent First Baptist, Albany; J. Wiley Owen, superintendent, and George Hartung, assistant superintendent of Willoughby Presbyterian; John F. Lovin, superintendent, and Henry Day, Central Methodist; D. C. Vohlers, superintendent, and Henry Hartung, representative, Westminster Presbyterian; J. E. Blair, representative, First Presbyterian; W. L. Hatchett, superintendent South Side Baptist; B. H. Collins, superintendent First Christian. The next meeting of the Union is to be held at the call of the chairman.

Notice!

The City Council has ordered a penalty to be placed on delinquent licenses after February 1. Merchants pay now and save additional costs. A penalty will be placed on delinquent taxes also February 1.

E. C. PAYNE, Mayor.
HENRY HARTUNG, City Clerk.

Semi-Annual Statement

The MORGAN COUNTY NATIONAL BANK

ALBANY, ALA.

December 30, 1916

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts.......	$313,042.78	Capital Stock	$100,000.00
Overdrafts	15.96	Surplus and Profits........	52,181.27
U. S. Bonds	50,000.00	Semi-Annual Dividend No. 28	4,000.00
Alabama Bonds	5,000.00	Reserved for Interest......	641.81
Fed. Reserve Bank Stock...	3,600.00	Circulation	50,000.00
Revenue Stamps	37.26	Deposits	459,296.01
Building and Fixtures.....	23,052.39		
Real Estate	1,681.50		
Five Per Cent Fund.......	2,500.00		
Cash and due from Banks..	267,188.20		
	$666,119.09		$666.119.09

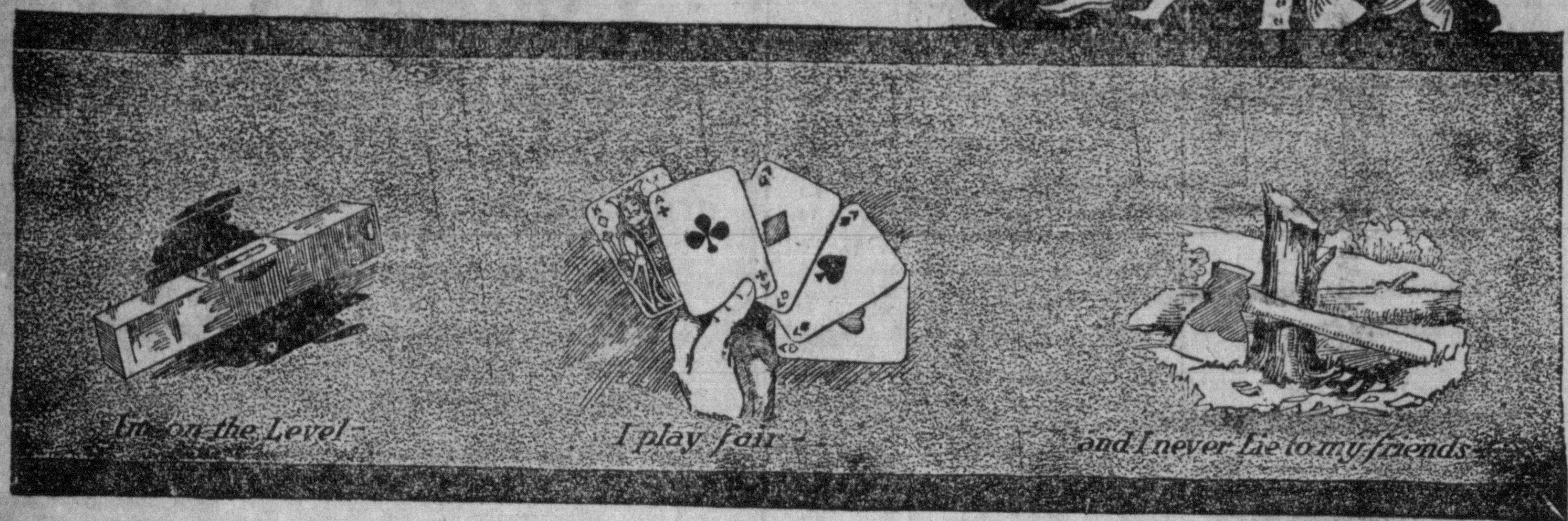
Highest Cash Prices

—PAID FOR—

Furs and Hides

Southern Hide & Tallow Company

A Southern Gentleman Is Popular Everywhere



Just think this over a minute.—How many friends have *you?* Not the fellows who borrow from you—I mean the chaps who will *fight* for you! Fellows who believe in you—who stick by you through thick and thin. You can count them on one hand, can't you? But listen to this.—I have *several million* down South here.

And why? Because I've been on the level. I've played fair. I've never lied to my friends, nor cheated them, nor double-crossed them, nor held out on them.

They know me by my right name—SOVEREIGN. A true gentleman of the South, born and bred of the real Southern stock. I mingle the blood of Virginia and Carolina—the best in the world—the choicest, sweetest, ripest, smoothest tobacco you ever smoked.

You Folks of the South KNOW Good blood!
You Folks of the South KNOW Good tobacco!

I have friends down South, and I keep them—because quality does tell. And it means a whole lot when I say:

I am guaranteed by *The American Tobacco Co.* INCORPORATED **—Buy me. If you don't like me return me to your dealer and get your money back. I have said it. A Southern gentleman is known the world over for keeping his word, and I have given you mine.**

Sovereign Cigarettes

FOR THE GENTLEMAN OF THE SOUTH

"King of Them All"

FIRST OF OUR NAVY'S NEW HYDRO-AEROPLANES

The naval aeronautical board has accepted this model, known as the N9, a 100-horse-power, single-pontoon hydroplane, as the first of 30 machines to be built by the Curtiss company near Newport News, Va. Minor modifications will be made in the other 29 machines.